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PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: Friday, December 30, 2005 1:30 p.m.
Date/Time of Occurrence Friday, December 30, 2005 Noon
Nature of Event: Minimum Security Inmate Found, Arrested
Location of Call: Lincoln
Released by: Dena Erwin (530) 889-6922

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:



Thurman F. Hodge

Luck ran out for the minimum-security inmate who walked away from the Auburn barracks Thursday when he was arrested Friday while playing the slots at the Thunder Valley Casino near Lincoln.

Detectives had been searching for Thurman Forest Hodge, 40, since he was reported missing from the Auburn minimum-security facility at 5:45 Thursday morning. Two detectives were following up on a lead at the casino when they encountered Hodge playing a penny slot machine. He told detectives he recycled \$20 worth of aluminum cans to get money.

The Roseville man could face an additional one-year state prison sentence if convicted of escape. He was serving a 135-day sentence for burglary and was scheduled to be released March 19, 2006.

Following his arrest, he was transported back to the Placer County Jail.